



FRIDAY EVENING, FEB. 7, 1908.

FEAKER BYRD, of the House of Delegates, has introduced four bills, which he thinks, if passed, will greatly increase the revenues of the Commonwealth—in fact, annually add more than \$150,000 to the coffers of the State. They are as follows:

- (1) A bill raising the taxes on express companies from about \$5,000 a year to \$12,000 a year.
- (2) A bill raising the taxes on Pullman companies from about \$1,000 a year to \$4,000.
- (3) A bill to increase the tax on steamboat companies, which means \$14,000 additional revenue.
- (4) A bill imposing a privilege tax on foreign corporations, which means at least \$100,000 additional revenue.

If these measures become laws without amendments, the State may receive the money but the people of the State will pay it. The measures should be so amended as to prevent the several corporations from increasing their rates to meet the extra tax. Bills to regulate the rates charged by these corporations would help the public much more than the State at large would be benefited by imposing a high license tax upon them.

MRS. MARY MCCORMICK, of Philadelphia, has discovered that her husband has twenty ailments. She caused him to be taken before a magistrate and almost cried as she told her story. She is about 25 years old, rather good looking and dresses neatly. She looked straight at her husband while she was testifying. "If he has one woman friend my husband has twenty," said Mrs. McCormick. "He has a pile of letters from these women at home that high," she continued, holding her hands about three feet apart. She declared her husband had not contributed toward her support since last Saturday, one week ago, when they separated, and that previous to that he had helped her financially, but very little. McCormick made no defense. He was required to enter \$300 bail to answer in court the charge of neglecting to support his wife.

STRICKEN with apoplexy as she was handed an order for food for her starving family, Mrs. Moses Tucker fell dead yesterday in the office of Charles Westfield, poor director, of Wilkes-Barre, Pa., to whom she had just told her pathetic story. For weeks she had been struggling to provide for her sick husband and five small children, but being ill and weak herself she could earn but little, and many a time the struggle seemed too much to bear. On Wednesday night the family was without anything to eat, and yesterday morning, too weak to work, she appealed to Westfield for aid. He gave her an order for food and clothing, and she was murmuring a prayer of thankfulness when she staggered and fell into a chair, and in a few seconds was dead. A cold wave brings many pathetic scenes. Many who silently battle with poverty during mild weather are forced by the chilly blasts to make their condition known, and in all large cities affecting pictures are often presented.

THE circumstances in connection with the murder of Judge James Hargis, of Breathitt county, Ky., yesterday, by his son, Beach Hargis, are published elsewhere in the Gazette. In his cell in the little jail at Jackson, the murderer is still raving and cursing his Maker, his whiskey-besotted brain making him practically an imbecile. In her home, a widowed mother, whose heart has been broken long ere this by the troubles of her husband and the wildness of her son, sits and sobs quietly. Her husband is dead and her son is in jail, held for the murder of his own father. King Lear was not the only one destined to feel the serpent's tooth by the ingratitude of progeny, and children disposed to walk in the broad way that is sure to lead to destruction should study closely the picture described above.

THAT the agitation for work by means of parades in certain cities has been to a large extent political was indicated by developments in Pittsburgh, Pa., yesterday. Less than fifty of the 600 so-called unemployed men of that city, who marched on the City Hall and vociferously demanded work, accepted an offer to shovel snow at \$1.75 a day. During the last week over 7,000 men have applied for work, marching in bands to City Hall, where their demands were made. Superintendent Toole, of the Bureau of Highways and Sewers, wanted 200 extra men at work on the streets, and had expected no difficulty in finding them. He couldn't get them at the addresses left by the 7,000.

THE democrats in caucus of the Maryland legislature last night ratified the action of the lawyers' committee which drafted the disfranchisement amendment by adopting it with comparatively unimportant changes. The enactment of this measure into law, which the late Senator Gorman so earnestly advocated, would make Maryland a safe democratic State for years to come.

From Washington.

Correspondence of the Alexandria Gazette.
Yesterday was the last day on which mail could be posted in order to reach the Atlantic fleet before it reaches Magdalena bay. A big batch of mail, posted within a week after the fleet left Hampton Roads December 16, was forwarded to Rio by way of Gangland. All mail posted after that has been sent from New York to Colon, across the isthmus to Panama City and thence down the coast to Callao, where the fleet is expected to arrive February 20. All mail meant for the fleet posted from now on should be addressed care the postmaster, New York, for forwarding to San Francisco. From there it will be sent to Magdalena bay on one of the warships.

Secretary of War Taft will leave Washington at 2 o'clock tomorrow afternoon for Kansas City, where he will be the guest of the Young Men's Republican Club Monday night at a banquet, delivering a political address. He will be the principal guest at the Lincoln Day dinner Feb. 12 at Grand Rapids, Mich. Feb. 14, he will deliver the diplomas to the graduating class at West Point.

It is authoritatively stated today that Frank H. Hitchcock, of Massachusetts, first assistant postmaster general has accepted the position of eastern and southern manager of the Taft presidential campaign and that he will, in a few days, resign from the government service, to be succeeded by Charles P. Graustad, of Lincoln, Mo., at present chief in the first assistant's division.

The indications are that congress will refuse to amend the law providing that after March 4, 1908, telegraph operators employed by railroad shall not be required or permitted to work more than nine hours a day. Hearings on this subject have been held before the House committee on interstate and foreign commerce this week.

Rear Admiral Evans, in a cablegram to the Navy Department today, announced that the tender Yankton had departed from Punta Arenas yesterday for Valparaiso. The journey from Punta Arenas to Callao, Peru, was thought to be too long for the tender, so she is being sent through the inner passage to Valparaiso. There she will coal and give the crew a chance to get ashore by the time the fleet steams up the coast in full view of the people of the Chilean seaport.

The following official dispatch was received today from United States Minister Hicks, at Punta Arenas: "Fleet sails Friday night, accompanied by torpedo boat flotilla and in passing Valparaiso sails close into the bay, each ship firing salutes to the city. Have requested Admiral of the fleet to do this, and I am sure it will give much pleasure to the people of Valparaiso. Fleet's stay here has been marked by the greatest enthusiasm by the government."

By an order dated Feb. 1, and made public today, Postmaster General Meyer announces that hereafter all legitimate daily papers may be sent from the United States to Canada, or vice versa, at the regular fourth-class rate of one cent a pound. This order is in pursuance to an agreement arrived at between the Postoffice Department and the Dominion and it "directly cancels the newspaper rate made effective about April 1, 1907, requiring third class rates." The order applies to one country to the other.

The hospital ship Relief has been placed in service at the Mare Island Navy Yard, under command of Surgeon Charles F. Stokes, with a merchant master and crew. Surgeon Stokes has a full staff of assistant surgeons and men of the Hospital corps of the navy, and also an officer of the pay corps.

Three hundred and eighty-four mechanics recently discharged from the navy yard were on account of "lack of funds" are today being notified that they have been reinstated in their former positions.

Decidedly the most democratic and typically American of all of the President's State receptions was that at the White House last night, known as the "Congressional reception." In point of numbers it was the largest of this season. There were few gorgeous diplomatic uniforms to enliven the scene, as many of the ambassadors are in mourning. The President and Mrs. Roosevelt, with the Vice-President and Mrs. Fairbanks, and the members of the Cabinet and their wives came down the State stairway to the music of the Marine Band, and open the reception in the blue room promptly at 9 o'clock. Those asked to assist in the blue room during the reception were afterward entertained at supper by the President and Mrs. Roosevelt.

There was an important meeting of the Senate committee on interstate commerce today at which action was taken on several bills. Unfavorable report was ordered on the bill to allow publishers of newspapers to accept railroad passes in payment for advertising. A similar fate befell the bill which proposed to allow the railroads to exchange passes or tickets with the passenger transfer companies operating with them.

The anti-saloon league and kindred organization continued their demands on the House judiciary committee today for the passage of the Littlefield bill to make interstate shipments of liquor subject to State laws.

Ella Ross, 40 years old, colored, was found roaming in a nude condition at North Capital and H street, Washington, this morning. Some boys were throwing snow balls at her. The woman was taken to the police station and clothing put on her, but she became violent, attempting to tear them off.

News of the Day.

It is reported that Mrs. Cornelius Vanderbilt will in the near future marry Count Hadik, of Hungary.

Cald MacLean was brought to Tangier, yesterday, the British government having paid Ransoul \$100,000 to release him.

The democratic members of the Maryland Legislature, in caucus last night, approved of the proposed disfranchisement amendment, as drafted by the committee of leading members of the party.

Concurring in the recommendation of acting Public Printer Rosier, the President yesterday canceled the contract of the government with the audit system and ordered its election from the Government Printing Office.

Just an hour before the time set for the funeral of Mrs. Edward W. Burroughs at Trenton, N. J., yesterday, her husband died, and the funeral was postponed until next Monday when husband and wife will be buried together.

Charles W. Morse, the missing New York banker, is en route to Europe. His attorney has cabled him a request to return immediately. The New York federal jury is probing the banking situation and indictments may follow.

Three men were run down and instantly killed today by a Buffalo and Allegheny engine near Elling, Pa. The dead are Samuel Halliday, John M. Miller and August Heller. They stepped out of the way of an approaching freight car and were struck by it.

"Love is not measured by age; it is like the soul, beautiful," says John Nelson Arnold, Rhode Island's 73-year-old portrait painter, who has just announced his engagement to Miss Clara L. Maxfield, his pupil, who is only 27. Their romance covers a courtship of four years. On March 20 they will be married.

After a knock-down and drag-out fight that lasted for hours, William H. Taft was, yesterday at St. Augustine, Fla., given one set of delegates to the National Convention by the republican officeholders of the State. In the same hall, but apart from the administration sympathizers, was chosen another set of delegates, who will be sent to Chicago unopposed.

Official statistics made public today in Berlin show the loss of thirty-four steamship and eighty-two sailing vessels, with the drowning of 639 persons during January. Minor mishaps befell 419 steamships and 217 sailing vessels during the same month. The figures are not confined to German vessels, but include all concerning which any information was obtainable.

Mrs. William Taylor, aged 22, and her brother, Daniel Thomas, were run down and killed by an Erie express train near Tallmadge, Ohio. Blinded by a snow storm they drove directly in front of the train. The accident occurred almost directly in front of their home. Hearing the warning whistle and the crash the father and mother rushed out to find their children dead.

An enthusiastic reception was accorded William J. Bryan at the Majestic Theatre in Jersey City yesterday afternoon. He was introduced as "the next President of the United States," which evoked applause from the large audience. The keynote of Mr. Bryan's speech was that "democratic principles are growing stronger, while the cause of the republican party are weakening. After the speech at the Majestic he addressed the Women's Club, and later left for Passaic.

Virginia News.

Wagner's drug store in Richmond was damaged by fire to the extent of ten thousand dollars yesterday.

Mrs. Lizette Ridgeway, widow of Benjamin Ridgeway, died recently at her home in Waterford, aged 70 years.

Police Justice Simmons, in Norfolk, yesterday, fined nine persons \$20 each and cost for permitting minors in pool rooms.

Alexander B. Butt, former cashier of the People's Bank, Portsmouth, was yesterday indicted on 22 counts in connection with the failure of that institution.

William B. Hilleary, youngest son of Richard W. Hilleary, died at his home in Warrenton Tuesday night after a lingering illness of several months from tuberculosis.

Monday night the school house at New Baltimore, Fauquier county, was discovered to be on fire, and in spite of prompt and vigorous efforts to save it the building was burned to the ground.

Mrs. Harriet Brent, widow of George W. Brent, died yesterday at the home of her nephew, M. P. Brent, in Winchester, aged ninety years. Three nephews, five grandnephews, and one grandniece survive.

George W. Rupp, the oldest citizen of Leesburg, a native of Pennsylvania, died yesterday morning at his residence in Leesburg from general debility, aged 92 years. He was the oldest Old Fellow in Virginia, having joined the order in 1830. He was unmarried.

John T. Hirst, a prominent citizen of Porterville, died suddenly yesterday from heart disease, aged 55 years. He was a director in the Porterville National Bank, and formerly a member of the firm of John R. Smith Milling Company of that place.

The charges against Judge J. W. G. Blackstone, of Accomac, are expected to be heard before the House committee Tuesday of next week. Judge Blackstone is to fight the charges, and will be represented by counsel when the case is called. Charles V. Meredith, of Richmond, is said to have been engaged to represent him, and it is said that an attorney of that city will represent the complainants.

ANTI-SALOON LEAGUE.

The Virginia Anti-Saloon League in session in Richmond today elected the following officers:

Rev. Dr. W. O. Taylor, of Petersburg, president; vice-presidents, Chancellor Dr. W. W. Smith, of Lynchburg; P. V. D. Conner, of Fredericksburg; Judge J. H. Mann, of Nottoway; Captain J. F. Bellows, of Ocean; Rev. J. R. Ellis, of Elkton; Rev. Dr. W. C. Campbell, of Roseton; Rev. G. S. Bowers, of Winchester; Professor J. T. Henderson, of Bristol; Rev. H. P. Atkins, of Richmond; secretary, Hon. A. T. Lincoln, of Marion; treasurer, S. P. Jones, of Richmond; attorneys, Walter Sydney, of Richmond; Thomas Whitehead, of Amherst.

Rev. C. D. Balla, of Alexandria, is named on the State executive committee.

The Legislature.

SENATE.

The Senate yesterday passed the following house bills:

To appropriate money for the care of Confederate graves in various cities of the State which are under the management of Confederate memorial associations.

To authorize the appointment of city taxes assessed upon real estate and the redemption of any part of such real estate from the lien of such taxes.

To amend section 2219 of the code in regard to how a minister is authorized to celebrate the rites of marriage.

To amend section 3701 of the code regarding setting fire to woods, fences and other matter.

To require officers collecting taxes to furnish dated tax ticket or receipt therefor and providing punishment for failure so to do.

For the prevention of tuberculosis.

The special order—the segregation of property in the State for taxation—was called up. Senator Strode made an address in advocacy of some system of taxation which would improve conditions and tend to equalize the burdens of taxation. The matter went over until February 12.

At 1:15 o'clock the special order—the bill to repeal the Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac monopoly—was taken up, and debated to the time of adjournment.

The Senate committee for courts of justice unanimously reported Delegate Bell's "unwritten law" bill. This measure already has passed the House. It is the result of certain famous homicide cases recently tried in Virginia.

Senator Parsons offered a bill affecting jurors and their board while they are engaged in trying a case. The bill limits the pay for board and room for such jurors at \$1.50 a day each during such trial.

Senator Parsons offered a bill which removes absolutely all tax from board-house keepers, which establishments are devoted exclusively to providing comfort for permanent boarders.

"I think this class of people more worthy and deserving of relief than are the physicians, and if one class is to be relieved I think the keepers of boarding-houses are entitled to first consideration," said Senator Parsons.

Senator Kreeb won out for the town of Harrisonburg, and the proposed new normal school will be located at that point if the recommendations of the senate committee for public institutions and colleges is regarded.

The bill awarding the school to the town of Harrisonburg, which has been pending for some time, came from the committee yesterday with a recommendation that Harrisonburg be accepted.

HOUSE.

Vigorous opposition to the passage of the bill providing amendments to the act entitled "An act to create the State convict road force," was presented in the House yesterday. The vote was taken, and the bill passed by an overwhelming majority. The count stood: yeas 74; nays 15.

Mr. Oatoff offered an amendment which was defeated. His amendment provided that no prisoner sentenced to jail for the violation of a city ordinance should be sentenced to work on public roads.

A bill providing for a State tax commission has been offered by Mr. Churchill. It provides that the commission shall consist of seven persons—The speaker of the House of Delegates, the chairman of the finance committee of the house, two members of the house to be appointed by the speaker, the chairman of the finance committee of the Senate and two members of the Senate to be appointed by the president of the Senate. This commission is given power to call for books and papers and sworn witnesses, and to employ assistants. Their duty is to consider the whole question of tax collection and assessment and to report recommendations to the next session of the General Assembly.

The committee on general laws reported adversely a bill making it unlawful for any person to wear any badge or insignia of any secret organization, to which he does not belong. The bill also contains a similar provision as to the wearing of Southern crosses of honor.

The committee on privileges and elections reported, with the recommendation that it do not pass, the Montague bill, providing for the election of Corporation Commissioners by the people.

SON KILLS FATHER.

Former County Judge James Hargis, for many years member of the State democratic executive committee, accused of complicity in numerous homicides and a prominent figure in the feuds which have disrupted Breathitt county, Ky., for a long time, was shot and instantly killed in his general store at Jackson, Ky., about 3:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon by his son, Beach Hargis.

The son fired five shots in rapid succession at his father, who fell dead while his clerks were waiting on customers. The cause of the patricide has not been learned but it is supposed to have been the result of differences which have existed between father and son for some time. The two men are reported to have had a severe quarrel several nights ago, when the father, it is alleged, was compelled to resort to violence to restrain his son.

Young Hargis, according to reports, had been drinking heavily. He went into the store yesterday afternoon apparently under the influence of liquor. Judge Hargis spoke to him about his dissipation and a quarrel ensued. Father and son stepped behind a counter in the store, when the son, after only a few minutes' conversation, drew a revolver and fired five shots. Four took effect, Judge Hargis falling dead. The young woman stenographer and the customers in the store rushed for the doors and fled.

Young Hargis was arrested by Town Marshal Goran Smith and Grover Blanton and locked up. He was raving like a maniac and the officers were compelled to drag him to jail.

Judge Hargis will be buried in a casket which he himself purchased about a month ago. Some time during the early part of last month Judge Hargis went to the National Casket Company and requested that he be shown the most elaborate coffin the company had in stock. Nothing suited him, and he finally ordered one along his own ideas costing \$1,500.

The Market.

Georgetown D.C., Feb. 7.—Wheat 94-97.

Today's Telegraphic News.

Lower Court Reversed.

[Special Dispatch to the Alexandria Gazette.]
Richmond, Va., Feb. 7.—The United States Circuit Court sitting here today reversed the lower courts in the case of the Alexandria National Bank, plaintiff in error, versus Willis C. Bates, defendant in error, and directed that the cause be remanded to the State court.

[The case was removed from the Corporation Court, of this city, against the ruling of Judge Barley and taken to the U. S. Court, where Judge Waddill decided the matter against the bank. An appeal was taken and now the case has been sent back to the Corporation Court.]

Social Clubs.

[Special Dispatch to the Alexandria Gazette.]
Richmond, Va., Feb. 7.—The Senate committee on finance this morning after hearing arguments voted that social clubs of all grades and standing should be put under the same laws that govern saloons. Arguments in opposition were made by representatives of leading gentlemen's clubs of the State as well as the Elks and Eagles.

Rumors of Assassination.

London, Feb. 7.—The Russian Embassy, the British Foreign Office and St. Petersburg correspondents, telegraphing to their newspapers here, deny a report current last night that the Czar had been assassinated. The rumor reached here in a dispatch from Paris and Berlin, but its source is uncertain.

St. Petersburg, Feb. 7.—The assassination of King Carlos and Crown Prince Luis of Portugal may indirectly cost the Czar's life or reason. Her majesty has been victim of neurasthenia for weeks. She has been unable to bear the slightest mental strain, can hardly walk and keeps her bed most of the time. For years her constant fear has been the death of her husband, her children, herself or perhaps the entire family at the terrorists' hands. This worry has been greatly aggravated by her illness and news of the Lisbon tragedy produced a fit of terror from which she has not yet recovered. Her condition is said to be growing steadily worse.

The Fleet.

Punta Arenas, Feb. 7.—The visiting American men-of-war men are saying good bye to Punta Arenas today. Admiral Evans delayed the fleet's departure two days after the scheduled time to give them a chance to do it "in style." The visitors were fairly swamped by the series of receptions and entertainments showered upon them.

Between 11 o'clock and midnight the battleship squadron and the torpedo boat flotilla will put out from Punta Arenas bay together. They will keep one another company as far as Cape Pillar, at the western end of Magellan Strait. There they will separate, the battleships taking to the open sea for the voyage to Callao, their next stopping place; the torpedo boat flotilla keeping to the inside channels for Talcahuano, where it will spend two or three days.

Maclean's Release.

Tangier, Morocco, Feb. 7.—The bandit Ransoul's envoys, under whose escort Caid Sir Harry Maclean was brought to Tangier last night, still linger in the city in negotiation with the British minister concerning the fulfillment of the terms of Sir Harry's release. The \$100,000 England is to pay as ransom will be held pending the bandit's demand, but his demands for the release of his imprisoned followers are to be attended to at once by the minister. The Sultan is also given ample assurance of protection for the outlaw leader and his subjects against arrest and prosecution. Maclean, despite considerable hardships during seven months' period of captivity, is in excellent health. He expects soon to make a trip to England.

Railroad Accidents.

Buffalo, N. Y., Feb. 7.—The Pennsylvania "flyer," due at Buffalo at 10 o'clock, was wrecked near Franklinville, N. Y. It is reported ten passengers were badly injured. The wrecked train was the second section of the Pennsylvania's Washington flyer. The engine and all the coaches jumped the tracks and rolled into the ditch.

A telephone message here from Franklinville at eleven o'clock says the wreck is not as serious as first reported; none of the passengers was killed, although all were severely injured.

Killing, Pa., Feb. 6.—Three are dead and a score injured as the result of a wreck near here early today on the Buffalo and Allegheny Valley railroad.

Quiet in Lisbon.

London, Feb. 7.—Lisbon continues quiet from all accounts. Police and military vigilance has not been relaxed, but no further trouble is feared. Immense numbers are visiting the chapel in which the bodies of the late King Carlos and Crown Prince Luis lie in state.

Former Premier Franco's departure from Portugal is said to have been practically forced by the new cabinet. Public men still think, however, that it is only a question of time when he will return and again take a prominent part in his country's politics.

Another Fight Arranged.

Los Angeles, Cal., Feb. 7.—An agreement has been reached between Battling Nelson and Willie Britt for a fourth fight. The terms provide for 135 pounds, for ten rounds, before the Pacific Athletic Club, on the night of February 25th. The fighters will get a percentage of the gross receipts, but how it is to be divided will be decided today. Nelson demanded a champion's price and it was finally decided, however, he was to receive a five per cent bonus of the fighters' share.

Bath Disclosed Her Riches.

Newark, N. J., Feb. 7.—Annie Martin, an aged woman, was admitted to the City Almshouse yesterday with the proper certificates as to her destitution. The first act on the programme was a bath to which she objected strenuously. When obliged to disrobe dollar bills began to fall from the folds of the woman's clothing. When her clothing was searched \$1,150 was found in her possession. The result is she will have to pay \$3 a week for her keep.

Harry Thaw.

Matteawan, Feb. 7.—Dr. Lamb, superintendent of the State hospital for the insane, says that if after thirty days or so it is his belief that Harry Thaw is sane, he will recommend his release. A commission in lunacy or other proceedings would not be necessary.

Suspects Arrested.

Boston, Feb. 7.—An Arlington policeman who was wise enough to draw his gun before he parleyed today captured two of the desperadoes believed to be members of the gang that "shot up" Woburn and Lexington last night in true western style. When Officer D. M. Hooley was notified by Conductor Arthur Burgess early today that he had two suspicious looking men aboard his trolley car he entered with drawn revolver and ordered the men to throw up their hands. The men had revolvers half way out when the command was given, but when they saw the policeman had the drop on them they wilted and walked peacefully to the station house. There they gave their names as Binow Kerneloy and Rider Rossa of Chelsea. Both were under 25 years of age. Both were walking arsenals and the description otherwise tallies of the men concerned in the Woburn shooting affray. John Foley, of Woburn, who had seen Policemen Welch and O'Neill shot, today went to the Arlington police station and positively identified the men captured by the officers. Later in the day the men were taken to Woburn for arraignment in police court.

Black Hand Suspect.

Pittsburg, Feb. 7.—Charged with sending threatening letters to Pittsburg millionaires demanding large sums of money six alleged members of the Black Hand society were arrested here early today when the police raided a lone shanty near here, where pistols and shot guns and stiletos were found. Although the prisoners deny complicity in any "Black Hand" plot, letters and other incriminating evidence are said to have been found. When the police broke down the shanty door after they had been denied admittance, the Italians showed fight, but at the sight of drawn revolvers surrendered.

Hundred Thousand Dollar Fire.

Cleveland, O., Feb. 7.—Not until this morning was the fire which destroyed six business blocks at 519-521 Huron Road extinguished. Located in the heart of the business district the fire fanned by a raging gale last night threatened wholesale property destruction. The loss is \$100,000, of which the bulk falls on the owner of the building and the J. M. Bour Company, wholesale coffee dealers, and the Cleveland Bakers and Confectioners' Supply Company, the principal occupants.

Killed in a Duel.

Dubois, Pa., Feb. 7.—Frank Raro is dead and Jose Bruceno Ory is mortally wounded as a result of a duel fought in their room in the Italian colony. When other boarders broke into the room Raro was dead on the floor with a stiletto buried up to the hilt in his body, while Bruceno, unconscious, had been literally backed to pieces with a razor. The men quarreled yesterday afternoon and locked themselves in their room to settle their differences.

Fatal Jump.

New York, Feb. 7.—In an effort early this morning to save himself from the flames which raged through the five story apartment house in which she lived, Margaret London, aged 32, jumped from the fifth story fire escape to the pavement below and was instantly killed. Several other tenants were overcome by smoke and three firemen were injured by falling cornices.

Killed by Mine Explosion.

Halifax, N. S., Feb. 7.—Advices from Port Hood, N. S., today state as the result of an explosion at the coal mines there today nearly a score of people were killed. Seven bodies have been taken out and it is reported that ten other miners are imprisoned and believed to be dead.

New York Stock Market.

New York, February 7.—After a fairly firm opening the market became weak under heavy selling and during the greater part of the first hour the movement of prices was sharply downward. Baltimore and Ohio and Brooklyn Rapid Transit both fell over 2 points from the opening and a number of other stocks sustained losses ranging from fractions to over one point. The market tone was disturbed by the character of Washington news. Government bonds unchanged; other bonds irregular.

After the first hour the trading was almost entirely professional. The tone at midday was steady, but without any important recovery from the lowest level of the first hour.

Sixtieth Congress.

Washington, Feb. 7.
SENATE.
The Senate was not in session today, having adjourned on Thursday last.

HOUSE.

The House today took a breathing spell after the week's oratory; by considering the omnibus war claim bill. This carries an appropriation of about \$315,000.

Mr. Mann, the "great objector," introduced a filibuster against the bill. Mr. Flood (dem. Va.), introduced a bill providing for a commission to investigate the purchase of American grown tobacco by the governments of foreign countries to determine if there is any combination or understanding between representatives of these governments to depress the price of American grown tobacco.

Representative Nicholls (dem. Pa.) one of the labor members of the House today offered a bill to offset the recent decision of the Supreme Court of the United States hostile to labor boycotts. His measure prevents the application of the Sherman anti-trust laws to unions of laboring men, organized to increase wages to shorten hours of labor or to better the condition of toilers.

Representative Clayton, of Alabama, in a political speech delivered in the House yesterday, declared the President had indicted his party, and supplied proof upon which to convict.

DIED.

On Friday, February 7, 1908, at 2:07 a. m. MARGARET JANE, beloved wife of James M. Davis, at her residence, 1204 Prince street, after a long illness. Funeral from her late residence, Sunday, February 9, at 2 o'clock p. m. Friends and relatives are cordially invited to attend.

Reduction in Tomatoes. 3 cans Nanticoke, 25c. S. & W. Tomatoes, J. C. MILBURN.

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